

The Brain Gauge channel

# Brain Gauge: The Lab-in-a-mouse that probes brain function



Putting your brain health in your hands

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## **The Brain Gauge Platform**

Testing, Tracking & Training Brain Fitness



### **Quick Check**



### **Standard**

90 seconds of testing. Instant results. Accurate and objective.

**Testing & Tracking** 

Metrics that probe deeper into specific brain functions.

Testing & Tracking





Complements treatments and promotes brain fitness.

Training



# What neurological conditions has Brain Gauge demonstrated sensitivity to?

The Brain Gauge scores have been demonstrated to be sensitive to most neurological disorders/insults (120+ publications). These include:

Neurotrauma: concussion, TBI, stroke, PTSD Neurodegenerative disorders: aging dementias, Parkinson's, diabetes, multiple sclerosis

Neurodevelopmental disorders: autism, ADHD, OCD, Tourette's, Schizophrenia Pain: migraine, fibromyalgia, phantom limb, chronic vs. acute Pharmacological insult: alcohol, alcoholism and substance abuse, GABA and NMDAr agonists/antagonists, recreational drugs Environmental toxins: mold Behavioral: stress, anxiety

## Case study: Tracking concussion recovery – detailed metrics

Specific metrics of different mechanisms of information processing are converted to easy to view Brain Gauge scores.





Scores can be viewed in detail and history is observed by tracking composite scores. Case study: 33 yr old male with autism. 33 yr old male. Hyper-barics and Wellness Pro started in October 2023. IASIS treatment started in Nov 2024. Brain Gauge tracking started March 2025. Brain training sessions initiated (vertical green tick marks) April 2025.





**Standard** testing provides initial conditions and guidance for brain training



Brain Gauge **Quick Check** used to track progress Brain training (green tick marks) complements IASIS





### Tracking progress & treatment efficacy

Case study: Demonstration of short-term and long-term gains from treatment.



### Tracking progress & treatment efficacy



Nov 10 Nov 17 Nov 24 Dec 01 Dec 08 Dec 15 Dec 22 Dec 29 Jan 05 Jan 12 Jan 19 Jan 26 Feb 02 Feb 09 Feb 16 Feb 23 Mar 02 Mar 09 Mar 1

77 yo male. Primary - Dementia. Started hyperbarics in December, has done 24 dives. Started iasis in March. Has done 7 since



### Case study: Tracking treatment efficacy



Female patient, age 51, initially presented to clinical care with complaints of severe fatigue. She had three prior rear-end motor vehicle accidents that extended over 3 years. Complaints included mild headache and migraine, mild dizziness and difficulty concentrating and moderate difficulty thinking. PEMF treatment was administered for 6 weeks and symptoms were alleviated. Symptoms returned when treatment was ended.



1140. 64 y/o Female. IASIS microcurrent neurofeedback treatment (arrows indicate sessions)



Note "dip" in score following break from IASIS treatment



3390. 64 y/o Female. IASIS microcurrent neurofeedback treatments (vertical arrows) + brain training (vertical tick marks)



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**Brain Gauge brain training case study**: Individual with dyslexia (late 30s) had trouble with following directions and trans positioning of letters (such as BP numbers). Employment as nurse difficult. Was told she was too slow performing her job requirements. Had cycled through several practitioners before starting brain training.



Note improvement in all scores except timing perception (due to extensive cerebellar issues).



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cognitive processing Executive functions Language, learning and cross cortical interactions

#### Patient improvements:

- 1. Recalls words faster
- 2. Reduced trans positioning of letters
- 3. Improved balance
- 4. Improved driving skills
- 5. Improved decision making
- 6. More confident

Brain Training improves connectivity & cognitive reserve

### **Brain Training complements other treatments**

Case study: Change in diet plus brain training improves cognition



58 year old female. About 6 months ago she had sudden onset of memory loss specifically with difficulty finding words.

She is a long time carbaholic. Based on blood work she has insulin resistance and has high cortisol (stress related). Possibly has chronic, moderate metabolic syndrome (ie high insulin and low insulin sensitivity) causing endothelial dysfunction and she is working on a ketogenic diet program.

Brain Gauge training started months after treatment began but now patient sees significant improvements in scores and in symptoms.

Her partner reports she seems mentally quicker and brighter.



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#### Case Study: Sports concussion & compliance with concussion protocol

Day 2 – Failed ImPact

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#### Day 5 – ImPact at baseline



#### Non-compliant behavior (heavy alcohol consumption) days 13 & 14.



#### Day 15 – non-compliant behavior

### Detailed information in underlying metrics

#### Study: PCS patients treated with PEMF



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Group studies are essentially examination of the overall trends that a collection of case studies demonstrate.

#### **Research: Group studies**

Patient #1 -

Patient #2

Patient #3

Patient #4

Group scores showed positive effects of the treatment



Note different rates of recovery for different patients – each receiving identical treatment

Post-treatment

Assessing treatment efficacy: outcomes from 4 patients, 4 different clinicians



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One way to examine treatment efficacy is to observe its impact across different patients at different clinicians using the same treatment (PEMF for head injury).

Note improvement in overall scores. In each case, the metrics matched the qualitative patient outcome.

Patients reported improvement, but scores validated neurological outcomes that resulted from treatment.

### **Treatment efficacy: consistency across clinics**

### **Research: simple studies**



Brain Gauge scores improve with successful treatment of pain

## Simple & quick studies can demonstrate treatment efficacy



Results from group study (n=20) show same trend as individual





#### **Research: not so**



Comparison of average  $\Delta$  with sum of peak OVPR suggests a trend of increasing deflection in Brain Gauge scores with increasing exposures. Variability is due to a number of factors including missed triggers and individual brain health history.

Average  $\Delta$ = 12 p<0.001;  $\Delta$  is maximal deflection in BG score (range from 0 to 100) for each individual.

Location	Event #	Pk OVPR (ps
Head	1	4.2
Chest	2	13
Head	2	4.1
Shoulder	2	7.7
Chest	3	4.8
Head	3	5.2
Shoulder	3	2.6
Chest	4	2.3
Chest	5	2
Chest	6	2.1
Head	6	2.7
Chest	7	5.8
Head	7	5.6
Shoulder	7	3
Chest	8	1.8
Head	8	11.4
Shoulder	8	2.7
Chest	9	6.49
Shoulder	9	4.31
Head	9	4.21
Sum		(96.01





**Brain Training** complements treatments







#### ONR BLAST Program objective: Accurately measure the impact of blast pressure on brain health



Blast gauge sensors were used to identify sub-threshold (subconcussive) blast exposure events (red arrows) conducted during heavy weapons training & Brain Gauge was used to track changes in brain function.



Impact and recovery rates vary from individual to individual with differences in exposures and brain health history. Note that time of peak impact on brain function typically varies between 30 minutes to 24 hours post-exposure.

Brain Gauge scores parallel observations from animal models; algorithm improved with human and animal observations

Case Study: Sports concussion – longer recovery period detected with the Brain Gauge



#### Case Study: Sports concussion & recurrent symptoms



Individual (wrestler) suffered concussion on Day 0 (impact to left side of head). Symptom free 16 days post-concussion and was cleared. Re-tested 3 months post-recovery when symptoms returned.







Day 9: SCAT = 3

Note that higher numbers for SCAT indicate more symptoms

Day 16: Symptom free



3 months post-recovery: complains of symptoms (headaches) returning



#### Case Study: sports concussion – longer recovery period for second concussion



Note that 2<sup>nd</sup> concussions typically have more significant impact and longer recovery trajectories than first injuries

1 month after 1<sup>st</sup> concussion was cleared, individual had another injury. Symptoms were worse and recovery time was much longer.

days to clear,





#### 4 months: symptom free









#### Case study: Improvement in cervical pain with PEMF



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#### *Initial patient conditions*

- Professional with a high stress lifestyle. Eating disorder and excessive drinking problematic. Chronic pain could also be a factor. Initial Brain Gauge scores
- very poor. Showed some improvement after 2 sessions, but not enough to warrant discontinuing treatment.

📀 Post-tre	Post-treatment		
SPEED	99		
ACCURACY	100		
TIME PERCEPT	83		
	98		
FATIGUE	100		
FOCUS	100		
OVERALL	97		

Patient received weekly IASIS treatments and at treatment, was performing exceptionally well. Eating disorder and drinking in

**Treatment**: *IASIS microcurrent neurofeedback* 

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**Treatment**: *IASIS microcurrent neurofeedback* at Neurocraft

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OVERALL

33

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OVERALL

90

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Access Bars also helps with pain management (lumbosacral pain below).



#### Multiple sessions with PEMF leads to improvement in Brain Gauge scores





OVERALL

37

Note improvement in the score that parallels reduction of lumbosacral pain after PEMF.





### Best way to learn about the Brain Gauge is the Brain Gauge Workshop!

"Dr. Tommerdahl spent a full day with our staff explaining not only of the foundations of the Brain Gauge, but fundamentals of neuroscience that led to enormous improvements in patient care. Use of the Brain Gauge has made our patients more aware of their progress and literally puts their brain health into their own hands. "

Carrie Meyer, Director, Okoboji Wellness Clinic.

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